

## NEWS OF N. Y. HIGH SCHOOLS

## TWO PRIZE ESSAY CONTESTS OPEN TO HIGH SCHOOLS

Scholarship Goes With Columbia Competition. Other is on Port of New York—Wadleigh Girls, Not Richmond Hill, Won Debate—Activities Increase Throughout City.

Just because there is more noise about a football game, a disinterested spectator may get the impression that athletics is the dominating and dominant feature of a high school education. That this is merely an impression and not the fact is readily seen by reading over the notes from the various high schools printed to-day. Debates, discussions, publications, plays, excursions to aid art scholarships, chess matches are some of the activities indicated. But the essential point to be borne in mind is that no student may participate in any activity whatever unless his or her scholarship is better than merely good.

Two essay contests are also claiming the attention of high school students. Columbia University is offering a prize of \$100 or a one-year scholarship, with the opportunity of renewal, for the best essay on "The Place of Athletics in Education." It must not contain more than 1,500 words and is open to any schoolboy in the United States. The idea of the essay is to stimulate writing in English. There are additional prizes of \$50 and \$25. Only one essay from a school can be finally submitted.

The other contest is more localized. The Educational Council of the Port of New York Authority has asked high school seniors only to join with C. C. N. Y. and Hunter College in a competition on the best essay dealing with improvement and utilization of the port. This contest closes Dec. 23 and is limited to 2,000 words. Further information can be obtained at the council's office, No. 11 Broadway.

An error crept into the account of the Wadleigh-Richmond Hill debate

last week. The Evening World erroneously stated that the latter won. The contrary was true and the correction is gladly made, with Wadleigh being credited with a well deserved victory. It was stated elsewhere that Elizabeth Shuyler of Evander Childs was the only girl on a high school debating team. The writer had intended to convey the impression that this referred to co-educational schools, as it was obvious that the girls' high schools would not seek boys to argue for them.

## Evander Childs.

This term's first issue of the school magazine, the Bridge, is out. The staff of the magazine is as follows: Editor in chief, Vincent McFarrell; dramatics, John Engel; art, Michel De Santis; athletics, Ulysses Schuler; book staff, Pasquella Affinito; the movies, Arthur Thompson; exchange, Rachel Krakower; humor, Beaven and Decker; associates, Catherine L. Johnson, Frances Alexander, Dorothy Lome, Natalie Fried, Morris Heller, Harold Herzstein, Jesse Aine, Helen Morris, Edward Weinstein, Harry Schein and Jean Trowbridge. The faculty advisers are: Literary, Gertrude E. Morris; business, James D. Kikpatrick; art, Norine O'Rourke.

Having elected a Class President a short time ago to lead them for the coming term, the class of June, 1922, Tuesday chose the rest of their necessary officers. After several ballots the following were elected: Vice President, Frank Gale; Secretary, Lillian Stahl; Treasurer, Bert Mayer.

Under the auspices of the Evander Club, composed of students of the school, an Intercollegiate Night was held for the benefit of the pupils of the sixth, seventh and eighth terms. The purpose of the meeting was to acquaint the visitors with college life in various universities of the country. Following a musical entertainment given by the Mandolin Club of New York University and of pictures depicting college life at Yale and the official pictures of the Navy football game, the real purpose of the gathering was approached. Mr. Hubbell, manager of Dartmouth '20 football team, outlined the advantages to be derived from attending a college situated in a small town, as is Dartmouth. Next came a speaker for the University of California, and Mr. Freeman, connected with New York University, delivered an address on Western colleges. He emphasized the benefits derived from small colleges. Prof. Woodman of N. Y. U. graduate of Harvard, '26, spoke on the advantages of obtaining a college education regardless of where obtained. The last speaker of the evening was Mr. Richter, graduate of Lafayette.

## Commerce.

The general organization of the High School of Commerce in a meeting Thursday voted to back the publication enterprise of the Inter-High School Students Association. The idea is to have a magazine that will contain features of the activities of the various schools. It is hoped that the publication will instill a better spirit of cooperation among the students of the high schools of this city.

The Commerce Caravel, monthly or-

gan of the school, issued its football number Friday. Among other features the magazine contained a history of the Commerce-DeWitt football games of the past, an account of the Orange and Blue football line-up; two stories, one a dramatic interpretation of the Commerce-Clinton games; several editorials and two pages of cartoons.

The Publications Board, with Livingston Bunzl as editor in chief, is completing the task of testing a handbook for the season of 1921-22. The book will contain detailed information of school activities and anecdotes of the faculty as well as a complete course of study.

The mid-term examinations this week will mark a more extensive use of the honor system in this school than ever before. Through successive campaigns twenty recitation classes have adopted the honor system. This implies examination of students without proctoring. As a means toward the establishment of the honor system an organization movement has been in progress in the school during the past few weeks. As yet sponsored by the Commerce Club, with Chairman Caravel as the directing force, the result of the campaign is the school into individual consolidation, class officers having been elected.

The Commerce chess team defeated Curtis last week 4 to 1. Manager Horvath, who is Secretary of the Inter-High School Chess League, has announced that the new schedule, soon to be announced, shows that the high schools are taking an active interest in the game.

## Stuyvesant.

Jacob Fisher of the General Organization of Stuyvesant High School and representatives from Commerce and DeWitt Clinton visited Annals S. Pratt, President of the Board of Education, Wednesday to discuss building an athletic field and stadium for the three big boy schools of Manhattan. Mr. Burdock, principal of the High School of Commerce, accompanied the committee. Mr. Pratt was in sympathy with the project and promised the support of the Board of Education. If passed, it will come up before the Board of Education. The resolution provides for a large athletic stadium capable of holding at least 2,000, a quarter mile track, four tennis courts, a baseball diamond and football field, to be built on land within very reach of the three high schools.

At a recent meeting of the General Organization Council of Stuyvesant High School plans were discussed for giving adequate publicity to the annual school meet to be held Dec. 17. It was decided to hold an assembly, the Wednesday before the meet, in which the leaders in athletics will speak to the students and attempt to raise school spirit.

Frank Moore, Secretary of the Anti-Tobacco League, spoke to the students Wednesday.

Although postponed several times over the question and the date, the debate between Stuyvesant and Morris High will be held to-night at 8 o'clock. On "Resolved, that we favor the principle of compulsory arbitration of disputes between capital and labor in the United States." Stuyvesant will uphold the negative. Frank Miller, winner of this year's Colgate Extemporaneous Speaking Contest for New York City, will uphold the Scarlet and Blue in the refutation. Capt. Ray Hellpenn, Ernest Rovere and Harry Heller will speak in the above order in the presentation. A

## Julia Richman.

The senior class held its first formal assembly of the term last Tuesday. Stella Katz, the President of the class, delivered an address to her classmates and was followed by Dr. Lucey, the Principal. Miss Kysor, the dean of the seniors, also spoke.

Julia Richman felt honored at being chosen to repeat her pageant as the main feature of the celebration given to Marshal Foch Friday. A great deal of the original pageant had to be eliminated owing to the large programme and to the limited length of time allowed. The cast was revised also, as Helen Gerberaux, who symbolized liberty in the original, was chosen to deliver an address in French to Marshal Foch. The girls who formed the background were class officers, bank girls, O. O. delegates and Blue Bird staff.

In former terms the students of the French classes have published their own French paper, La Petite Presse, but this term they are combining their material with that of Stuyvesant in La Petite Revue, the French publication of Stuyvesant.

The class of June, 1921, will hold a reunion the latter part of this month. An Alumni Association was formed in 1910 to keep alive the spirit of comradeship, characteristic of Julia Richman. This club is called the Assey Club in memory of the founder of the school, Father Yeska. The letters of its name are reversed to form the name of the club. The officers are: President, Amelia Zimet; Vice President, Sadie Gartenberg; Secretary, Marion Abrams; Treasurer, Elsie Meyers; Dramatics, Caroline Oppenheimer.

## Theodore Roosevelt.

The Social Problems Club of the Theodore Roosevelt High school debated the following timely subject: "Resolved, That there be universal disarmament." On the affirmative, Ludwig Mandel, Katherine Ferber, Josephine Comer, and on the negative, David Lewittes, Ruth Ducey and Howard Cameron. The affirmative won. The judges were Principal Richard Sheib, Miss A. Langdon and Everett White.

All the economic students of the school went to Fay's Theatre Thursday at the invitation of the Commissioners of the Port of New York to see pictures of the Port of New York. However, the film failed to arrive and

an educational picture, "Shrimps," was shown instead.

At the last regular assembly of the school the Underwood Typewriter Company distributed certificates that the holders had passed their regular typewriting examination (the following names are listed): Rose Klein, Michael Lulati, Lawrence Strauss, Lillian Goldstein, Cella Heller, Cella Redmond, Leah Moore, Elsie Piwiger, Rose Fishman, Lillian Langer, May Wagner, Anna Mace, Ida Ostrowsky, Minnie Levy, Lena Fishman, Helen Ellinger, Henrietta Baybrush, Herman Bernstein, Abba Jackson, Estelle Lotenberg, De Iova Colkin, Louise Van Riper, Henrietta Rosenberg, Edith Monowitz, Mary Kushner, Samuel Buchalter.

A musical assembly was held at the Westchester Annex Friday. During the week the fourth term students met to discuss a term paper. The pupils are preparing a debate in Assembly tomorrow. The first term pupils are planning a Thanksgiving party Wednesday, to which all members of the faculty are invited.

## George Washington.

Despite the handicap of mid-term examinations, students at George Washington High School found time to reorganize the hockey club, which had not met since last term. They elected Dorothy Ducas President and Elizabeth Romaine Secretary and Treasurer. The club works in conjunction with the New York High School Poetry League. All the members of this organization met in Edwin Markham's home Saturday.

George Washington has just ended a successful basketball week. The team won both games. Washington beat Townsend Harris by a score of 17 to 14 and De La Salle 21 to 14. This week being a short school week, the team will rest up.

The George Washington football fans were doing a lot of speculating just before the New York University-Columbia freshman football game was played Saturday. Washington was represented on both teams by former star pupils. Chick Thompson, quarterback on the Columbia team, and Jack Vree-

land on the New York University freshman team were both members of the Washington champion baseball team, as well as the Washington football team.

## Wadleigh.

Because not enough girls have responded to make it worth while, the Boston trip, scheduled for the Thanksgiving holidays, has been cancelled. Friday the Social Service department of Wadleigh's General Organization gave a party for fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth term pupils. Tony Sarg, the cartoonist, and Herbert Dawley, a movie producer, were the guests of honor as well as the entertainers. A dance followed.

Wednesday, in behalf of Children's Book Week, Miss Perry, a member of the staff of the New York Public Library, talked on children's books. She told two interesting folk stories and read a poem.

At the meeting of the Wadleigh Memorial Association, Nov. 14, Harry Grossbeck, Boy Scout Commissioner, spoke to the members on "Theodore Roosevelt and Ideals of Citizenship." At tomorrow's assembly the seniors will present their part of the America's Making Pageant, portraying Spain's conquest in dramatic form. The parts were written by the girls. Those taking principal parts are: King Ferdinand, Florence Beck; Queen Isabella, Felicia Fox; Columbus, Gladys Myers; Cortez, Martin Kramer; Balboa, Berenice Moser; Juan Ponce de Leon, De Soto, Helen Reiner; Ponce de Leon, Miss Felicit; Herard, Ethel Lurie.

## De Witt Clinton.

The Clinton Club acted as host to the big Red football team at a dinner in the West Side Y. M. C. A. Wednesday. This annual event was featured by the presence of men well known to the football world. Among them were Coach Sanford of Rutgers, Hugh Fullerton, sports editor for the Evening Mail, and "Doc" Cook, former Clinton coach and at present head of freshman athletics at Columbia.

The reporters' stand has decided to

change the name of the organization to the Journalism Club. The club's purpose is to instruct and interest students in newspaper writing. The officers are: Lawrence Singer, President; Stanley Katcher, First President; Ralph Rein, Second Vice President; Milton Rosenow, Secretary. The faculty adviser is Mr. Whalen.

To refute the popular belief that a boy's ability in the kitchen is limited to his stomach, Clinton points to its luncheon room, where the good food, cleanliness

and order that predominate are due entirely to students. Although hired cooks prepare the food, the task of setting as waiters, selling checks, keeping order and cleaning up is filled by members of the luncheon squad under the direction of Mr. Hagg.

The first encounter of the inter-form football tournament for the championship of the schools, the Fourth Form defeated the Third by 24 to 6. In other

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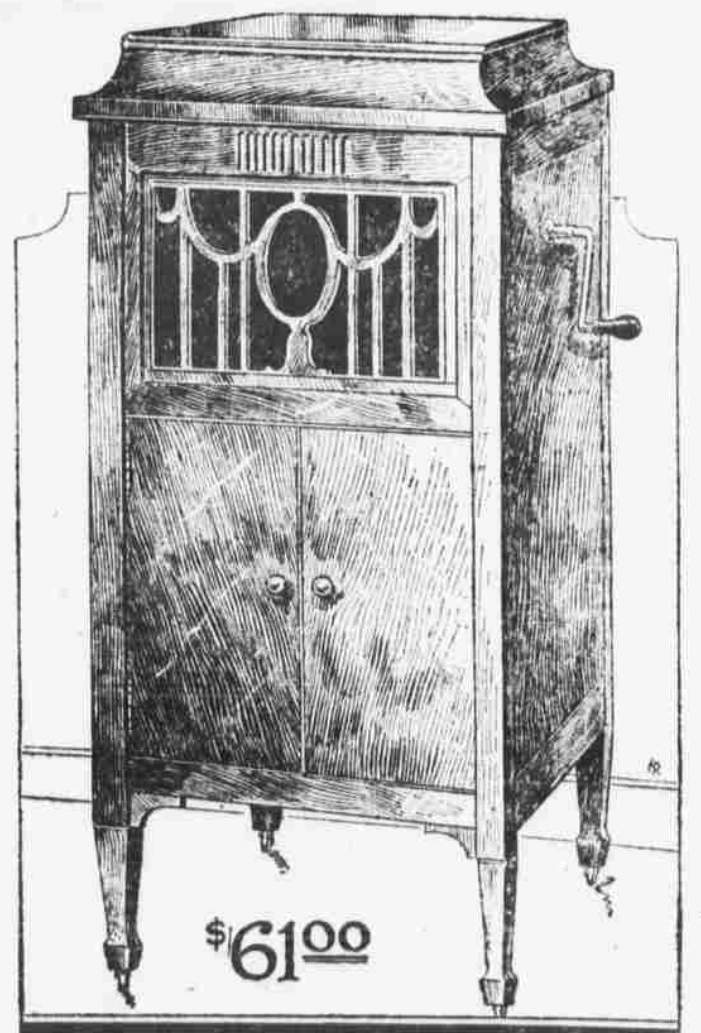
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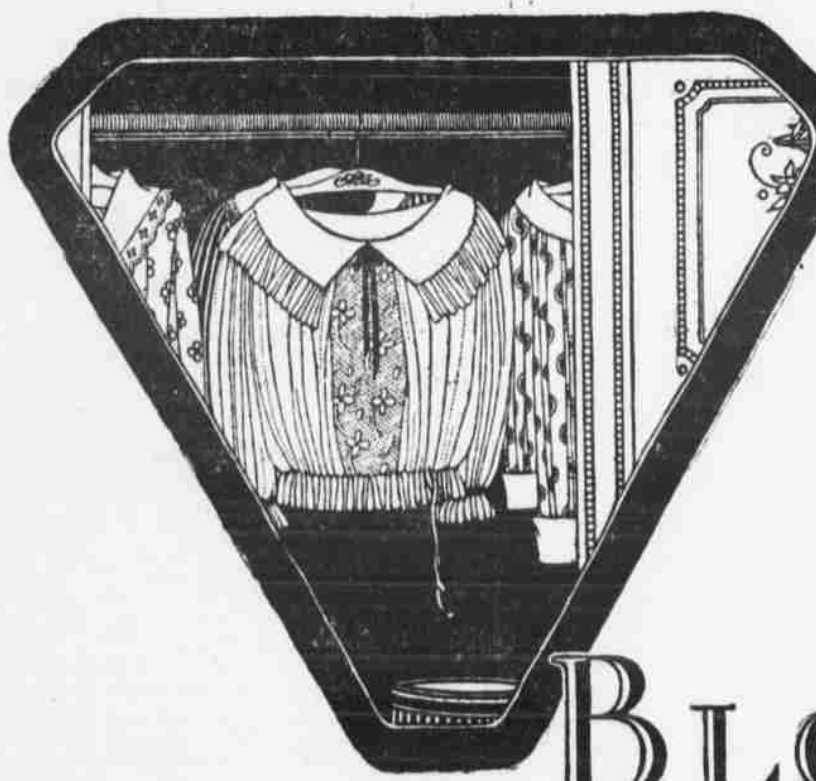
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